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SOCIETY NOTES

AS 'TAS TOLD TO OUR SOCIETY EDITOR.

Various Kinds of Entertainment by Individuals, Lodges, Clubs, Churches, Etc.

Grandma Hausenjager celebrated her 82nd birthday yesterday. This was also the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Oswald and both occasions were celebrated at the home in the east part of town Thursday afternoon. Owing to the illness of a daughter at Beaver City, Mrs. Wm. Oswald was not able to be present, but the children here could not refrain from at least reminding their Grandma that another milestone had been passed in her eventful life and they gathered to bring cheer and best wishes at this time. May she live to enjoy the return of many similar occasions for a family reunion is the wish of her numerous friends.

The following friends met at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Higgins and gave them a surprise on Friday evening. Geo. Prichard and family, DeLos Spickler and wife and Mae Wileman of Barada, Geo. Sturms and family, Andy Prater and family, Ellis Houtz, Mrs. O. A. Guinn of St. Anthony, Idaho, Della Knisley, Wm. Hubner, Frank Peck, William Bowman, Francis and Truman Kniselev, Ben and Fred Allison. The evening was most pleasantly spent in music and various games, after which refreshments were served consisting of ice cream, cake and oranges. At a late hour all departed declaring Mr. and Mrs. Higgins royal entertainers.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schaffer, who reside in the country, was the scene of a happy gathering Monday afternoon, the affair being a party in honor of the twelfth birthday of their daughter, Blythe. A large number of young folks were present and greatly enjoyed the fine time and nice lunch provided. Among those from town who were present were Margaret and Merl Naylor, Marie Lichty and the Heineman girls.

A few lady friends of Mrs. H. L. Morrow of St. Louis spent the afternoon and enjoyed six o'clock dinner with her at her mother's home Monday afternoon. Mrs. Morrow is spending several weeks with her parents, W. S. Korner and wife, where she will await the arrival of her husband, who is in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The M. E. Kensington met with Mrs. R. R. Roberts Wednesday afternoon. It was a mother's day, each member bringing her mother. A good program was rendered and nice refreshments served and everything possible done for the pleasure of the guests.

The members of the Epworth League enjoyed a picnic at the city park Tuesday afternoon. Supper was spread on the grass to which all did ample justice.

The K. K.'s were most pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al. Spear, Wednesday evening. The usual good time was enjoyed.

Mrs. Jim Pickett was hostess to the Young Married Ladies' Kensington club Friday afternoon and the usual pleasant time was reported.

The Married Ladies' Kensington met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Lloyd Giannini and enjoyed an unusually pleasant session.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Items of Interest in And About Our Temple of Justice.

On Friday Ernest Schmechel of this county was taken before the board of insanity and adjudged by that body to be insane and a fit subject for the asylum, to which place he will be taken as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. Christina Prosser during the week filed application for a divorce from her husband, Wm. H. Prosser, on the charge of non-support.

The teachers were taking examinations Friday and Saturday. A large number were present and underwent the trying ordeal as outlined by County Superintendent Oliver.

Things were a little quiet after the adjournment of the county board, which had a busy session for several days.

Miss Florence Wylie is now assisting in Recorder Edwards' office, having commenced her duties there Thursday.

The scavenger tax list has kept Treasurer Lord and his assistants pretty busy attending to the belated taxpayers, who are now flocking in before it is everlastingly too late.

We would suggest that Judge Gagnon advertise a bargain day in marriage licenses, as business has been rather dull in this line.

Janitor Higgins has the lawn looking fine, which makes an ideal place to rest. The bandstand, however, is still vacant.

THE GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Lona Stewart Passed Away Thursday, July 16

Leona Stewart, wife of Jas. R. Stewart, died at her home four and one-half miles northwest of this city, on Thursday, July 16, 1908, aged about 38 years.

Deceased had been sick but a few days, and her condition was not considered in the least serious until a few hours before her death, when Mr. Stewart hastened for medical aid, but before his return his wife had passed to the great beyond, thus leaving seven children motherless and a sorrowing husband bereft of a loving and faithful helpmeet.

The funeral service was held Friday at the family residence, conducted by Rev. Mastin of the M. E. church of this city. Interment in the Steele cemetery.

Where Is the Dogcatcher?

Falls City appears to be just as lenient with the owner of dogs as most towns of her size. Each year the tax is collected from a few who are willing to pay with out a protest, which is usually one out of ten and then all effort is at an end until next spring. Is this just or right? If the ordinance is a good one enforce it to the letter. If it is not the method repeal the objectionable passage and turn the dog loose. Falls City can boast of more dogs to the block than any town of her size in the state anyway.

Injured in a Fall.

Joe, the little son of D. D. Reavis, received an injury Monday afternoon which might have proved serious.

He was at the home of Mrs. T. J. Gist, and while standing on a chair and reaching up for something the chair overturned and in falling Joe struck himself under the chin, cutting himself so badly that the chin bone protruded, and it required three stitches to close the gash. Joe thinks it was a pretty hard bump, but he is getting along nicely.

A BOGUS CHECK

JAMES RAMSEY VICTIM OF A SMOOTH SWINDLER

A Stranger, Giving the Name of Jas. Brooks, Made His "Get-Away" With \$15.00

One day last week a man giving his name as James Brooks, appeared at the furniture store of Jas. Ramsey to buy a bill of goods. After looking over the stock he said he would look over the town and find a house and then return and select his goods. The next day the man returned saying he had rented a house of John McCarthy, and proceeded to select his furniture. His bill amounted to \$160 and in payment of the same he presented a B. & M. railroad check for \$175, and Mr. Ramsey gave him \$15 in change and proceeded to load up the goods and haul them to the house rented.

Mr. Ramsey was not in the least suspicious until the check returned from the Ottumwa, Ia., bank with a letter stating that they knew nothing about the man whose signature appeared on the check. Mr. Ramsey then got busy and went to the house and found the goods just as he had left them, the man never returning. The goods were hauled back to the store, and Mr. Ramsey is thankful that he lost only \$15 in the transaction.

Brooks represented himself as being an employee of the B. & M., putting in the switch lights from here to Red Cloud, with this place as headquarters. Mr. Ramsey says his opinion is the man is new in this crooked work, as he has every appearance of being a hard working honest fellow, and is about sixty years old. Up to this time nothing has been heard from the man.

NEW ENTERPRISE.

An Automobile Company Organized in This City.

A number of our citizens have become interested in the automobile question and have organized what will be known as the Falls City Automobile company. It is the intention of these gentlemen to open up a garage at once.

Pete Frederick, Jr., and Charley Harkendorf each purchased a fine new car this week and a carload of others are on the way.

Heretofore Falls City has been a little slow on the automobile question, but judging from the number of people who are contemplating buying, we will soon head the list in this as well as anything else we undertake.

Resigned Her Position.

Miss Comstock, teacher of mathematics in our high school, has resigned her position here and accepted a like one in McCook. This is greatly regretted by our people as Miss Comstock is an instructor of more than ordinary ability and a great favorite among her pupils. She makes the change on account of being able to be near old friends at McCook. The vacancy, as yet has not been filled.

A Badly Sprained Arm.

While swinging on a rope at Chas. Hargrave's home one day last week Roy Bohrer fell and sprained his right arm quite badly. While the injury is very painful and has somewhat handicapped Roy in his play, he will soon be alright again.

Postponed.

The Presbyterian church and Sunday school picnic was postponed until Friday, July 24. Meet at the church at 9 a. m.

"CLEAN-UP" DAY

BEAUTY OF OUR CITY SHOULD BE MAINTAINED

Don't Sit Idly By Waiting for the Other "Feller" to Do His Duty as a Citizen

"Clean-up" day has been in vogue for some time among our business men on Stone street, and is a fine thing as far as it goes, but just a step on any side street will soon convince you that it doesn't go far enough.

A great deal has been said about cutting the weeds and trimming the trees. As to the lawns about our city the majority of them are kept in pretty good shape, but as many of our property owners have said, what is the use of trying to make the lawn look nice when the fruits of your hard work is spoiled by the unsightly weeds growing along the curb line? And they have just cause for complaint. A person with one grain of pride is actually ashamed to take a trip over our city with strangers and let them see the condition of things. All visitors desire among the first things to visit our library, which in itself is the pride of all our citizens, but what must their thoughts be when they see the jungle between the library and the News office. Not only there but the same condition exists around our school buildings, churches, all vacant lots, and in fact every place where a weed can grow, it is allowed full sway.

Just take the matter to yourself. What would be your impression if you would get off the train at any station and be compelled to wade through weeds higher than your head to get to the main street of the town? These conditions are bad in any case but in a town of more than 4000 with more wealth per capita than any town in the state it is a disgrace.

Trees are beautifiers when used properly, and to stand off and look at our little city with its large number of trees, it looks a veritable paradise, but these same beautiful trees become a nuisance when owners allow the branches to grow so low that it is impossible for pedestrians to walk under them.

We believe there is an ordinance touching on this question, and if this is the case why not enforce it?

We do not care to be classed with the lickers, but we would like to see some action taken on this question.

Big Fine Set Aside.

The twenty-nine million dollar fine assessed against the Standard Oil by Judge Landis for rebating has been reversed by the United States court of appeals. The court holds the fine excessive and an abuse of judicial discretion. Besides criticising the errors of law committed by the trial judge the appellate court flays Landis for his conduct in assessing a fine twenty-nine times as large as the capital stock of the company.

Senator Dolliver

Senator Dolliver could have had the vice presidential nomination if he had wanted it. The administration wanted him on the ticket because his record was in keeping with the Roosevelt policies, and because he is considered the ablest platform orator in the nation. Senator Dolliver opens the Chautauqua this year and his address, which will be non-political, should be listened to by an immense audience.

NEITZEL-CAIN

Two of Our Prominent Young People Married

Robert R. Neitzel and Meeker S. Cain were married on Monday evening in this city at 8 o'clock at St. Thomas rectory, Rev. Neide officiating.

To say that their friends were surprised does not express it, not that the act was accomplished, for that was expected, but that they would steal a march on their friends in this manner, as they did not tell one single person, but alone, armed with the necessary documents, presented themselves before Rev. Neide who in his impressive manner spoke the words which united the lives of the two young people.

Both the bride and groom are well known in this city, having lived here most of their lives and count their friends by their large circle of acquaintances. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. August Neitzel of this city. He has been employed for some time in the office of the county treasurer, proving himself a very valuable assistant. He is possessed of good business qualities, and being a young man of good habits is bound to succeed. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cain and is a highly accomplished and much loved young lady, being a general favorite among her associates. Like her husband, she has held a position in the court house, being employed in the county clerks office, and from this circle she will be especially missed.

To the happy young couple is extended the best wishes of this community.

WE DROPPED ONE

Our Boys Lose a Good Game With Everest Kansas

Well, we lost one, but we are not worrying about it, as a 2 to 1 game is a good one to lose and we can't expect to win them all. The Everest team was the best our boys have met this season and the game was a good one from start to finish. We were somewhat crippled by one of our best players having a sore hand and his place had to be filled by new material, and we are not backward in saying that under ordinary circumstances the outcome would have been reversed.

The visitors scored two on an error in the third inning and our boys had an earned run to their credit in the eighth, only three men making the circuit.

Prior pitched for the home boys and did good work. He struck out six men and allowed but one to walk. Lacy who was in the box for the visitors fanned nine men and presented three with bases. Excitement ran high at times, both sides doing much good work.

We go to press too early to give an account of the game our boys played with Hiawatha.

Landed the Contract.

The Bohrer Bros. this week succeeded in landing a contract for the erection of a brick school house in Wilsonville, Neb., and left Wednesday for that place, to begin work.

Marriage License

Richard N. Williamson, Barada.....21
Dora M. Cox, Barada.....17
Paul A. White, Kansas City.....19
Nora L. White, Blue Springs.....21
James R. Turner, Salem.....21
Edith Mobley, Salem.....18
John H. Hannl, Bern, Kansas.....25
Eva M. Bacon, DuBois.....24
Robert A. Neitzel, Falls City.....22
Meeker S. Cain, Falls City.....22

Fred Haelele on Route 3 renewed his faith today.

A GOOD MEETING

THE HORTICULTURAL MEETING PROVED TO BE A WINNER

The Program Was an Interesting One With Noted Speakers at Each Session

The summer meeting of the Nebraska State Horticultural society was held in the court house in this city Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, and while there was not as large an attendance as expected, those who were here enjoyed it to the utmost, and the discussions and exchanging of opinions proved both instructive and interesting not only to those taking part, but to the spectators as well, all gaining much knowledge from hearing the talks of the noted speakers present, and which will be stored away for future good.

The session opened at 9:30 a. m. Tuesday morning. The invocation was by Rev. R. Cooper Bailey, Ph. D. Owing to the inability of Mayor Abbey to be present, the address of welcome was given by Supt. Oliver in his usual eloquent and spirited style. He extended the courtesies of our city to the visitors and made them feel at home. The response was made by Chas. L. Sanders of Omaha, president of the State Horticultural society.

G. S. Christy of Johnson, who is considered one of the best authorities in the state on horticulture, then gave an interesting talk on "Opportunities for Horticulture in Southeast Nebraska." Among other things he endeavored to show how small fruit could be raised at a profit, when given proper attention, and no doubt his address will prove a great benefit to growers of small fruit who had the pleasure of hearing him.

"Flowers for the Farm," was the subject assigned to C. S. Harrison, of York, but he was unable to attend, and this was dispensed with.

The morning session closed with some very good musical selections.

At 2 o'clock p. m. the meeting was opened with some fine musical numbers by F. Werner and wife, Ralph Jenne and Clarence Smith. A great deal of credit is due these musicians for the success and pleasure of the meetings.

W. G. Swan of University Place was the first speaker of the afternoon. In his talk on "Fifty Years in Nebraska," he gave a brief review of the advance of horticulture from fifty years ago when it was practically unknown in this state, to its present enormous proportions. He has made a deep study of this question and is looked upon as authority. His talk was indeed interesting.

C. H. Green of Fremont was the next on the program with a short talk on "A Few Flowers". Mr. Green is one of the leading growers of the state, and the specimens he had on exhibition proved his ability and knowledge conclusively.

Right here there was a little break in the regular program, which proved a pleasure to all present. It was learned that Isaac Pollard, father of our Congressman Pollard, was in the audience, and in response to frequent calls, entertained the crowd with a discussion that was highly appreciated, as his fifty-two years experience on Nebraska soil has given him a store of most interesting and valuable knowledge.

W. H. Bruning of Cedar Bluffs was down for a talk on "Hardy

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